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Applicant(s) : Mark A. REILEY  
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Examiner : David J. ISABELLA  
Title : **Facet Arthroplasty Devices and Methods**  
Customer No. : 66854

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Mail Stop Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313  
Sir:

**AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

**Introductory Comments:**

This response addresses the non-final Office Action mailed June 15, 2007, for which a response is due September 15, 2007. An appropriate request for extension of time accompanies this response, up to and including October 15, 2007. Please enter the amendments and consider the remarks as follows.

**Amendments to the Specification** are not being made at this time.

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 2.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 2 of this paper.